ಶ್ರೀ ಎ. ಭೀಮಪ್ಪನಾಯಕ್.–ಒಂದು misappropriation ನಡೆಯಿತೆಂದರೆ ಯಾವ ವರ್ಷ ಆಯಿತು, ಯಾರಿಂದ ಆಯಿತು ಮುಂತಾದವುಗಳನ್ನು ಹೇಳುವುದಕ್ಕೂ ಇಲ್ಲ ಆಡಿಟ್ ರಿಪೋರ್ಟ್ ಇಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರೆ ಮುಂದಿನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕೇಳುವುದೇ ಕಷ್ಟವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. It is better that the Report is called for and the persons directly responsible may be ascertained. I would request the Hon'ble Minister to give the necessary information by getting the audit report. The Hon'ble Minister is not able to say in which year this misappropriation has taken place and who was responsible. What is the observation in the aduit report? The Hon'ble Leader of the Opposition seems to be right in asking these details. I would request the Hon'ble Minister to take time and give details, because this is an important Society concerning the entire taluk.

Sri M. P. PATIL.—I have said that this Balasubramanyam is responsible and that he has been proceeded against. The information required in the question was whether any action was taken against the persons responsible for such shortage and what is the result of such action. The shortage has been given. When it is said that the person responsible is this gentleman, it means that no other persons are responsible. If there had been other persons responsible, Government would have proceeded against them. But if the Hon'ble Member wants definite information whether the Chairman was responsible and whether or not it is mentioned in the audit report, I shall have to refer the audit report.

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK.—The Hon'ble Minister seems to know that Sri R. Balasubramaniam has nothing to do with this Society. It is his brother that is mentioned as the ex-Assistant Secretary. Sri R. Balasubramaniam is an Advocate at Chitaldrug and he has nothing to do with this Society. Whether constructive liability is there or not, is a different thing. But, the Leader of the Opposition wants to know how far responsibility has been fixed on the President, Secretary and other officers appointed at that time.

Sri M. P. PATIL.—I want to modify my reply. It is true that the Assistant Secretary is dead. Therefore we have proceeded against Sri R. Balasubramaniam. I modify my reply to that extent.

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK.—I request the Government to get the audit reports and answer with reference to them because we want to know in which year the misappropriation took place.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—May I know when they discovered this shortage?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—It was discovered on 30th June 1957.

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK.—If it was discovered on 30th June 1957, how can a dispute be filed on 22nd April 1957? There is something wrong.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will hold over the question.

Amount spent by Ramadurga Municipality for Jaya Prakash Electric Company.

Q.—1699. Sri M. S. PATTAN (Ramdurg).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they are aware of the fact that the Ramdurga Municipality, Belgaum District, had spent a major portion of its income for the benefit of the Jaya Prakash Electric Company;

(*b*) whether it has come to their notice that the above Municipality has wasted public funds by incurring a heavy expenditure over the construction of a very big tank in Gadag?

(*c*) whether it is also a fact that the above Municipality has unnecessarily drawn up another plan for providing water facilities and has requested them to sanction some amount therefor;

(*d*) whether they are also aware of the fact that the Municipal Councillors have lost public confidence;

(*e*) whether it is desirable to postpone Municipal Elections further when the circumstances are such that nearly one and a half years have lapsed since the term of the present Municipality ended and that the present Councillors have lost public confidence?

A.—Sri R. CHENNIGARAMIAH (Minister for Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) and (*b*) No.

(*c*) The plan drawn up by the municipality is for providing water facility to all the residents of the municipal area.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) The General Election to the municipality was held on 6th September 1957.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಸ್. ಪಟ್ಟಣ್.—ಈ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಕೇಳಿ ಒಂಭತ್ತು ತಿಂಗಳಾದುವು; ಅದಕ್ಕಿತ ಮಾರ್ಪಟ್ಟಿದೆ; ಈ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಮುಗಿದಿದೆ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಹಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ಉಪಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕೇಳುವುದು ಬೇಡ.

Memorandum by the N.G.O.s' Association, South Kanara.

Q.—1772. Sri Y. MANJAYA SHETTY (Baindur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the N.G.O.s' Association, South Kanara, has submitted a memorandum to the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 17th February 1957 with regard to the anomalies in the services as a result of the revised scales of pay as per G.O. No. Fl. (B) 14034-14133—Bud. 119-56-3, dated 25th January 1957 ;

(*b*) if so, the action they have taken in the matter ?

A.—Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA (Minister for Legal Affairs and Labour.) [On behalf of Sri T. Mariappa (Minister for Finance)].—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Final action can be taken only after the equation of the several posts in these areas to the posts mentioned in the Government Order of 5th January 1957 is completed ; and anomalies, if any, can be known to exist only after equation. The work of equation of posts is nearing completion.

Sri Y. MANJAYA SHETTY.—May I know when the equation of posts will be completed ?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—It is rather difficult to state the precise date. But it will be done as expeditiously as possible.

Sri Y. MANJAYA SHETTY.—Is it a fact that due to the non-equation of posts, some of the officers in South Kanara are not able to draw their revised scales of pay ?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—There is a certain amount of delay and it is inevitable. Every step will be taken to set matters right.

Sri Y. MANJAYA SHETTY.—Will the Government at least think it desirable to issue an interim order permitting such of those officers whose posts have not been equated to draw the revised scales of pay ?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—The enquiry has gone fairly to an advanced stage so as to make it impossible to pass an interim order.

Detection of Cases by the Anti-Corruption Department.

Q.—2107. Sri G. B. SHANKAR RAO (Hirekerur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of officers that have been apprehended by the Anti-Corruption Department, since the inception of the new State (district-wise figures may be furnished) ;

(*b*) the number of them against whom departmental action has been taken ;

(*c*) the number of them that have been admonished, exonerated or dismissed from service ?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) The number of persons, cases against whom have been investigated by the Anti-Corruption Department